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TO: Airport Operators

SUBJECT: Publication Announcement: JO 7930.2N, Notices to Airmen (NOTAM)

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1. Purpose. This CertAlert announces the publication of Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Order JO 7930.2N, Notices to Airmen (NOTAM).

- 2. Background. This revised Order continues the effort to harmonize NOTAM policy with International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) standards and recommended practices for ICAO compliant NOTAMs. The Order also introduces some basic recommendations from the Takeoff and Landing Performance Assessment (TALPA) Committee about the identification, reporting, and distribution of aerodrome contaminant information via the NOTAM system. Some key areas of importance from the Order are as follows:
 - a. NOTAMs must have a key word as the first part of the text. A key word is used to make it easier to sort and locate the specific data needed. The key words are: RWY, TWY, APRON, AD, OBST, NAV, COM, SVC, AIRSPACE, ODF, SID, STAR, CHART, DATA, IAP, VFP, ROUTE, SPECIAL, SECURITY or OTHER. (JO 7930.2N, para 1-2-1)
 - b. All NOTAMs must now have an effective and expiration time. Use of "EST" for estimated time and "PERM' for permanent changes are further defined. Any NOTAM that includes an "EST" must be cancelled or replaced before the expiration time specified in the NOTAM, as the NOTAM will not auto-expire. (JO 7930.2N, para 4-2-1)
 - c. The term "Movement Area NOTAMs" is changed to "Aerodrome Condition NOTAMs" to be more inclusive. (JO 7930.2N, para 5-1-2)
 - d. When a runway condition restricts or precludes the use of any portion of a runway resulting in a change to the declared distances, include the published take-off run

- available (TORA), take-off distance available (TODA), accelerated stop distance available (ASDA), and landing distance available (LDA) in the NOTAM. In addition, issue a second NOTAM if there are any changes to declared distances for the reciprocal runway. The designation of declared distances requires FAA approval. (JO 7930.2N, para 5-1-3)
- e. For MU values, if a NOTAM was issued and the Airport Operator advises the readings are above 40, the MU value NOTAM may remain as 40 or be cancelled. This supersedes MU value information cited in Advisory Circular (AC) 150/5200-28D, Notices to Airmen (NOTAMs) for Airport Operators, paragraph 15a; and paragraph 3b of CertAlert 11-03. (JO 7930.2N, para 5-1-4)
- f. The contaminant table (Table 5-1-4) is modified to more accurately reflect reportable contaminants associated with aspects of TALPA. (JO 7930.2N, para 5-1-4) **Note**: The asterisk (*) was inadvertently omitted from the contaminant "Water (1/8 inch and greater)", delineated in the table.
- g. The ability to issue Pilot-Reported Field Condition (FICON) (Braking Action Report) has been added. (JO 7930.2N, para 5-1-4)
- h. The terms "Wet" and "Dry" are further defined as they relate to the present/absent of contaminants. (JO 7930.2N, para 5-1-4)
- i. "Thin" is now used for reporting contaminant depths of less than 1/8 inch versus less than 1/4 of inch as cited in AC 150/5200-28D, Notices to Airmen (NOTAMs) for Airport Operators, paragraph 15d. (JO 7930.2N, para 5-1-4)
- j. FICON NOTAMs are used to report surface conditions, vehicle braking action, and friction values on runways, taxiways, and apron/ramps. FICON is inserted after the surface designator(s) and surface segments and before the field condition. (JO 7930.2N, para 5-1-4)
- k. "Conditions Not Monitored" is now used when the FICON will not be monitored. The most recent observation will be followed by the words "Conditions Not Monitored" (date/time) (date/time). When remarks "Conditions Not Monitored" are used, the estimated expiration time for the FICON can exceed 24 hours from the effective time. (JO 7930.2N, para 5-1-4)
- 1. "Work In Progress" NOTAMs associated with work adjacent to a runway, taxiway, apron/ramp, or aerodrome replace "Personnel and Equipment Working" NOTAMs as cited in AC 150/5200-28D, Notices to Airmen (NOTAMs) for Airport Operators, paragraph 16. The Order also confirms previous guidance identified in CertAlerts 11-03 and 11-04. (JO 7930.2N, para 5-1-6)
- **3. Required Actions.** Airport Operators must review JO 7930.2N, NOTAM, for applicability and make any necessary adjustments to NOTAM training in accordance with Part 139.303, the Airport Certification Manual, and any plan this NOTAM Order may impact.

JO 7930.2N can be accessed at the following link: http://www.faa.gov/air_traffic/publications/

4. Miscellaneous. Upon receipt, this CertAlert cancels CertAlert 11-04, Publication Announcements.

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